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National Park Service Announces FY 2008 NAGPRA Consultation/Documentation Grant Awards

(Washington, D.C.) --- The National Park Service (NPS) announces the awarding of \$1,484,495 to assist museums, Indian Tribes, and Alaska Native Villages with implementation of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA).

Enacted in 1990, NAGPRA requires museums and federal agencies to inventory and identify Native American human remains and cultural items in their collections, and to consult with culturally affiliated Indian tribes, Alaska Native villages and corporations, and Native Hawaiian organizations regarding repatriation. Section 10 of the Act authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to award grants to assist in implementing provisions of the Act.

Projects to be undertaken by FY 2008 consultation/documentation grant recipients include consultations to identify and affiliate cultural items, training for tribal staff on the fundamentals of NAGPRA, updating previously completed inventories, creating databases to document NAGPRA items, and numerous other projects that support the NAGPRA goals of documentation and consultation in preparation for repatriation.

In FY 2008, the NPS received 33 NAGPRA consultation/documentation grant applications from 17 Indian tribes, 7 Alaska Native villages and corporations, and 9 museums, for a total request of approximately \$2.2 million. Proposals were reviewed by an expert panel of Native Americans and museum professionals from a variety of Federal agencies. Awards are being made to the **23** grantees listed below.

For additional information regarding these awards, contact Sangita Chari, National NAGPRA Program, National Park Service, 1849 C Street, N.W. (2253), Washington, DC 20240; telephone (202) 354-2203.

Awards for all FY 2008 NAGPRA grants are listed below.

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FY 2008 NAGPRA Grant Recipients

Arkansas State University, AR	\$ 31,381	Pawnee Nation, OK	\$ 75,000
Bear River Band/ Rohnersville Rancheria, CA	\$ 74,993	Public Museum of West Michigan, MI	\$ 74,787
Caddo Nation, OK	\$ 74,656	Robinson Rancheria, CA	\$ 55,936
Cape Fox Corporation, AK	\$ 42,800	Seminole Nation of Oklahoma, OK	\$ 71,657
Central Council, Tlingit and Haida, AK	\$ 72,939	Sealaska Corporation, AK	\$ 67,121
Denver Museum of Nature and Science, CO	\$ 74,974	Smith River Rancheria, CA	\$ 75,000
Field Museum of Natural History, IL	\$ 34,430	State University of NY Research Foundation, NY	\$ 75,000
Greenville Rancheria, CA	\$ 73,000	University of California, CA	\$ 75,000
Huna Totem Corporation, AK	\$ 74,922	University of Colorado, CO	\$ 75,000
Hydaburg Cooperative Association, AK	\$ 74,978	Yakutat Tlingit Tribe, AK	\$ 55,336
Kashia Band of Pomo of Stewarts Point Rancheria (CA)	\$ 73,625	Yurok Tribe, CA	\$ 75,000
Maryland Historical Trust, MD	\$ 6,960		

TOTAL

\$1,484,495